#### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# <u>CALIFORNIA SCHOOL AGE FAMILIES EDUCATION (CAL-SAFE) PROGRAM</u> <u>EDUCATION CODE SECTIONS</u>\*

**54740.** This article shall be known and may be cited as the **California School Age Families Education Program (Cal-SAFE).** 

- **54741.** The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:
- (a) Adolescents, due to early pregnancy and childbearing, experience significant educational losses leading to a lifelong loss of schooling.
- (b) Although less than a quarter of California's pregnant and parenting teen mothers use welfare as teenagers, over time they make up a significant percentage of the AFDC caseload. Half of all unmarried teen mothers go on welfare within four years of the birth of their children and 42 percent of all AFDC mothers began families as teenagers.
  - (c) In 1995, there were 123,240 pregnant and parenting mothers age 18 years and younger.
- (d) Approximately one-quarter of teen mothers in California will experience a second or subsequent birth while in their teen years.
- (e) The number one reason cited by females for dropping out of school is pregnancy and parenting responsibilities, although existing school data collection systems do not include the number of pregnant and parenting pupils enrolled in school nor the number who drop outof school due to pregnancy and parenting responsibilities.
- (f) Eighty percent of females who become mothers before the age of 18 do not finish high school, and 40 percent of females who give birth by age 15 do not complete the 8th grade.
- (g) Young women with poor basic skills, regardless of ethnicity, are five times as likely to become mothers before age 16 as are those with average basic skills, and young women with poor or fair basic skills are four times as likely as those with average basic skills to have more than one child in their teens.
- (h) Teen fathers are at high risk of low educational achievement, as they are more likely to drop out of school to secure low-paying, unskilled jobs with little promise of future improvement.
- (i) Children of teenage mothers have a greater chance of experiencing behavior problems during adolescence, engaging in delinquent or criminal activities, becoming sexually active at a young age, and becoming teen parents.
- (j) School-based programs for pregnant and parenting teens and their children offering a wide range of educational and supportive services, including child care and transportation, which begin during pregnancy and continue after childbirth, have been successful in increasing school enrollment and high school graduation rates, and reducing the incidence of low birth weight babies and repeat pregnancies.
- (k) School-based programs targeting pregnant and parenting teens and their children are often nonexistent or fragmented, have inequitable program funding, lack comprehensive integrated school-linked services, lack useful school data, and often have not been evaluated.
- **54742.** (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to establish a comprehensive, continuous, and community linked school-based program that focuses on youth development and dropout prevention for pregnant and parenting pupils and on child care and development services for their children for the purpose of improving results for approximately 60,000 pupils and their children.
  - (b) The **goals of the program** are all of the following:
- (1) A significant number of eligible female and male pupils in need of targeted supportive services related to school success will be served.
- (2) Pupils shall have the opportunity to be continuously enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program through graduation from high school.
- (3) Pupils served who receive program services for one or more years will earn a high school diploma or its equivalent or demonstrate progress towards completion of education goals.
- (4) Pupils served who graduate will transition to postsecondary education, including a technical school, or into the world of work.

- (5) Pupils served and their children will not become welfare dependent.
- (6) Pupils served will demonstrate effective parenting skills.
- (7) Pupils served will not have a repeat birth or father a repeat pregnancy before graduating from high school.
- (8) Pregnant pupils served will not have a low birth weight baby.
- (9) Children of enrolled teen parents will receive child care and development services based upon the assessed developmental and health needs of each child.
- (10) Children of enrolled teen parents will receive health screening and immunizations except when the custodial parent annually provides a written request for an exemption pursuant to Section 49451 and Section 120365 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (11) Children of enrolled teen parents will have enhanced school readiness, demonstrate progress towards meeting their assessed developmental goals, or both.
- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature that if there are not enough resources to serve all eligible pupils, the program shall target services to pupils who are most in need or to pupils who are least likely to access services on their own.
- (d) It is the intent of the Legislature that Cal-SAFE programs be integrated with local Adolescent Family Life programs and Cal-Learn programs in a manner that avoids duplication of services.

## **54743**. For the purposes of this chapter, the following **definitions** shall apply:

- (a) "Case management" means a process that ensures that the pupil and child receive identified needed services in an efficient, supportive, and cost-effective manner. The process is interactive, pupil-centered, culturally appropriate, and goal-oriented.
- (b) "Child care and development program" means developmentally appropriate learning activities for the children of enrolled teen parents that are provided when the child's teen parent is, or parents are, participating in a school-approved activity both during and outside the school day.
- (c) "Intake process" means the interactive process upon entry into the Cal-SAFE program through which academic and service needs are inventoried and demographic data are collected.
- (d) "Interventions" means services needed to correct or ameliorate a pupil's health, psychosocial, educational, vocational, daily living, or economic problems, which may impede the pupil from achieving the program goals.
  - (e) "Local education agency" means a school district or county office of education.
- (f) "Support services" means services, as referenced in subdivision (b) of Section 54746, that will enhance the academic ability of the enrolled pupil in order for her or him to earn a high school diploma or its equivalent and for healthy development of their children.
- (g) "Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 Regulations" refers to federal Public Law 92-318 and the regulations set forth in Section 106.1 and following of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which prohibit discrimination against pupils, among other things, because of their pregnant or parenting status.
- **54744.** (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that communities implementing new programs or initiatives connect with existing program strategies and build upon existing local collaboratives, when possible, to provide a unified integrated system of service for children and families.
- (b) No application for participation in the Cal-SAFE program is complete unless each county superintendent of schools, in conjunction with superintendents of school districts, the Adolescent Family Life Program, the Cal-Learn program, the local child care and development planning council as defined by Section 8499.5, and, as appropriate, other existing organizations such as Healthy Start and local job training councils, have developed a **county service coordination plan** for providing educational and related support services to pregnant and parenting teens and their children.
  - (c) The county service coordination plan shall include, at a minimum, all of the following information:
- (1) Incidence of live births to teen mothers by a method to be determined by the State Department of Education.
- (2) Incidence of pregnant and parenting pupils receiving welfare aid by a method to be determined by the State Department of Education.
- (3) Incidence of low birth weight children born to teen mothers by a method to be determined by the State Department of Education.
  - (4) Educational alternatives for pregnant and parenting teens.

- (5) Child care and development resources for the children of teen parents.
- (6) Public and private resources providing support services necessary for pregnant and parenting teens to achieve academically.
  - (7) Gaps and overlaps in educational and support services for pregnant and parenting pupils and their children.
  - (8) Proposed strategies to address identified gaps and overlaps in services.
- (d) The county service coordination plan shall be submitted to the State Department of Education no later than June 1, 2000.
- (e) If the county service coordination plan is not submitted to the State Department of Education by June 1, 2000, a local education agency may only operate a Cal-SAFE program on an interim basis until January 1, 2001.
- (f) The county superintendent of schools, in conjunction with superintendents of school districts, the Adolescent Family Life Program, the Cal-Learn program, the local child care and development planning council as defined by Section 8499.5, and, as appropriate, other existing organizations such as Healthy Start and local job training councils, shall annually review the county service coordination plan, update the plan as needed, disseminate the revised plan to superintendents of school districts within its jurisdiction, and submit a copy of the revised plan to the State Department of Education.

## **54745.** (a) In the **administration of the Cal-SAFE program**, the following provisions shall apply:

- (1) **Participation** by a school district or county superintendent of schools in the Cal-SAFE program is **voluntary**.
- (2) The governing board of a school district or county superintendent of schools may submit an application to the State Department of Education in the manner, form, and date specified by the department to establish and maintain a Cal-SAFE program.
- (3) A school district or county superintendent of schools approved to implement the Cal-SAFE program shall be funded as **one program to be operated at one or multiple sites** depending upon the need within the service area
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a school district or county superintendent of schools operating, by October 1, 1999, a School Age Parent and Infant Development Program pursuant to Article 17 (commencing with Section 8390) of Chapter 2 of Part 6, a Pregnant Minors Program pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 8900) of Part 6 and Section 2551.3, or a Pregnant and Lactating Students Program pursuant to Sections 49553 and 49559, as those provisions existed prior to the operative date of the act that adds this article, or any combination thereof, that chooses to participate in the Cal-SAFE program shall have priority for Cal-SAFE program funding for an amount up to the dollar amount provided to each school district or county superintendent of schools under those provisions in the fiscal year prior to participation in the Cal-SAFE program, provided that an application is submitted and approved.
- (5) If a school district or county superintendent of schools operating a School Age Parent and Infant Development Program, a Pregnant Minors Program, or a Pregnant and Lactating Students Program, or any combination thereof, chooses not to participate in the Cal-SAFE program, it is the intent of the Legislature that the funding it would have received for the operation of those programs shall be redirected to the Cal-SAFE program and the school district or county superintendent of schools may apply in a subsequent school year to operate a Cal-SAFE program.
- (6) A school district or county superintendent of schools that **terminates its Cal-SAFE program** may reapply to establish a Cal-SAFE program.
- (7) In order to continue implementation of the Cal-SAFE program beyond the initial three years of funding, each funded agency shall be reviewed by the department to determine progress towards achieving the goals set forth in Section 54742. Thereafter, funded agencies shall be reviewed and reauthorized every five years based upon a process determined by the department to continue implementation of a Cal-SAFE program.
  - (b) All of the following requirements shall apply to an application for the Cal-SAFE program:
- (1) The governing board of a participating local education agency shall adopt a **policy or resolution** declaring its commitment to provide a comprehensive, continuous, community-linked program for pregnant and parenting pupils and their children that reflects the cultural and linguistic diversity of the community.
- (2) The local education agency shall provide assurance for **participation in the development of the County Service Coordination Plan** as described in Section 54744.

- (3) A school district or county superintendent of schools shall agree to participate in the data collection and evaluation of the Cal-SAFE program.
- (c) To implement a Cal-SAFE program, the funded school district, or county superintendent of schools shall meet all of the following criteria:
  - (1) Be in **compliance with Title IX** of the Education Amendments of 1972 Regulations.
- (2) Ensure that enrolled **pupils retain their right to participate in any comprehensive school or educational alternative programs** in which they could otherwise enroll. School placement and instructional strategies shall be based upon the needs and styles of learning of the individual pupils. The **classroom setting shall be the preferred instructional strategy** unless an alternative is necessary to meet the needs of the individual parent, child, or both.
  - (3) Enroll pupils into the Cal-SAFE program on an open entry and open exit basis.
- (4) Provide a **quality education program** to pupils in a supportive and accommodating learning environment with appropriate classroom strategies to ensure school access and academic credit for all work completed.
  - (5) Provide a parenting education and life skills class to enrolled pupils.
- (6) Make maximum utilization of available programs and facilities to serve pregnant and parenting pupils and their children.
- (7) Provide a quality **child care and development program** for the children of enrolled teen parents located on or near the schoolsite.
  - (8) Make maximum utilization of its local school food service program.
- (9) Provide special **school nutrition supplements**, as defined by subdivision (b) of Section 49553, to pregnant and lactating pupils.
- (10) Enter into **formal partnership agreements**, as necessary, with community-based organizations and other governmental agencies to assist pupils in accessing support services.
- (11) Provide **staff development** and community outreach in order to establish a positive learning environment and school policies supportive of pregnant and parenting pupils' academic achievement and to promote the healthy development of their children.
- (12) Maintain an annual program **budget and expenditure report** to document that funds are expended pursuant to Section 54749.
  - (13) **Assess no fees** to enrolled pupils or their families for services provided through the Cal-SAFE program.
- (14) **Establish and maintain a data base** in the manner and form prescribed by the State Department of Education for purposes of program evaluation.
- (15) **Coordinate** to the maximum extent possible **with Cal-Learn** program case managers provided pursuant to Section 11332.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and **Adolescent Family Life Program case managers** provided pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with Section 124175) of Chapter 4 of Part 2 of Division 106 of the Health and Safety Code.
- **54746.** (a) In meeting the goals of the program and responding to the individual needs and differences of pupils and their children to be served, the funded agency shall complete an **intake procedure** regarding each pupil and child upon entry into the program and periodically as needed thereafter.
- (b) Based upon the information provided during the intake procedure pursuant to subdivision (a), the funded agency shall determine appropriate levels and types of services to be provided. These services may not duplicate services currently provided to the pupil by a local Adolescent Family Life Program or Cal-Learn program. In addition to an academic program that meets district standards, necessary support services for pupils shall be funded by the calculation pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 54749. **Allowable expenditures for support services** are as follows:
  - (1) Parenting education and life skills class.
  - (2) Perinatal education and care, including childbirth preparation.
  - (3) Safe home-to-school transportation.
  - (4) Case management services.
  - (5) Comprehensive health education including reproductive health care.
  - (6) Nutrition education, counseling, and meal supplements.
- (7) School safety and violence prevention strategies targeted to pregnant and parenting teens and their children.

- (8) Academic support and youth development services, such as tutoring, mentoring, and community service internships.
  - (9) Career counseling, preemployment skills, and job training.
  - (10) Substance abuse prevention education, counseling, and treatment services.
  - (11) Mental health assessment, interventions, and referrals.
  - (12) Crisis intervention counseling services, including suicide prevention.
  - (13) Peer support groups and counseling.
  - (14) Family support and development services, including individual and family counseling.
  - (15) Child and domestic abuse prevention education, counseling, and services.
  - (16) Enrichment and recreational activities, as appropriate.
  - (17) Services that facilitate transition to postsecondary education, training, or employment.
- (18) Support services for grandparents, siblings, and fathers of babies who are not enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program.
- (19) Outreach activities to identify eligible pupils and to educate the community about the realities of teen pregnancy and parenting.
- (c) The funded agency shall provide **child care and development program** services located on or near the school site for the children of teen parents enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program. Program services shall be funded by the revenue generated pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 54749.
  - (1) Participation in the child care and development component of the Cal-SAFE program shall be **voluntary**.
- (2) There is no minimum age for enrollment, but the child shall be eligible for enrollment in the child care and development component until the age of five years or the child is enrolled in kindergarten, whichever occurs first, as long as the teen parent is enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program.
- (3) Each child shall have a **health evaluation** form signed by a physician, or his or her designee, before the child is allowed on the school campus or is enrolled in the child care and development program. Health screening and immunizations shall not be required when the custodial parent annually files a written request as provided for in Section 49451 and Section 120365 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (4) A **developmental profile** shall be maintained for each infant, toddler, and child. This development profile shall be utilized by the program staff to design a program that meets the infant's, toddler's, or child's developmental needs.
- (5) The arrangement of the **child care site environment** shall be safe, healthy, and comfortable for children and staff, easily maintained, and appropriate for meeting the developmental needs of the individual child. Child care sites shall meet the health and safety requirements specified in Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 101151) of, and Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 10351) of, Division 12 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations.
- (6) The child care and development component of the Cal-SAFE program shall operate pursuant to applicable sections of Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 8200) of Part 6. In addition to meeting the requirements of Section 8360, **teachers** shall have at least **three semester units**, or the equivalent number of quarter units, of coursework related to the care of **infants and toddlers**.
- (7) The child care site shall be available as a laboratory for parenting or related courses that are offered by the funded agency with priority given to pupils enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program.
- (d) **Inservice training for school staff** on teen pregnancy and parenting-related issues may be funded from revenue generated pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 54749. However, use of these funds for this purpose shall supplement and, not supplant, existing resources in these areas.
- (e) The **data base** required pursuant to paragraph (14) of subdivision (c) of Section 54745 may be funded from revenue appropriated for purposes of subdivision (a) of Section 54749.
- **54747.** (a) A male or female pupil, 18 years of age or younger, may enroll in the Cal-SAFE program and be **eligible for all services afforded to pupils** enrolled if he or she is an expectant parent, the custodial parent, or the noncustodial parent taking an active role in the care and supervision of the child, and has not earned a high school diploma or its equivalent.
- (b) A pupil having an active special education Individualized Education Plan (IEP) shall be eligible until age 22, as long as she or he has an active IEP and meets the eligibility criteria as specified in subdivision (a), and shall continue to receive services identified in the IEP while enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program.

- (c) Pupils shall be eligible for enrollment on a voluntary basis for as long as they meet eligibility criteria specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) until they earn a high school diploma or its equivalent.
- (d) A **pupil may not be denied initial or continuous enrollment** in the Cal-SAFE program for any of the following reasons:
  - (1) The pupil has had multiple pregnancies.
  - (2) The pupil has more than one child.
  - (3) The pupil's eligibility status changed from pregnant to parenting.
- (e) If an enrolled **18-year-old pupil reaches age 19** without earning a high school diploma or its equivalent, the pupil may be enrolled for one additional semester if the pupil has been continuously enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program since before his or her 19th birthday.
- (f) Pupils receiving services under Article 3.5 (commencing with Section 11331) of Chapter 2 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code are eligible for services under this chapter. Child care provided under this article shall be the primary source of child care for these recipients when participating in a Cal-SAFE program operated by school districts or county superintendents of schools.

## **54748.** The duties of the State Department of Education include all of the following:

- (a) Provision of technical assistance, focused upon transition into the Cal-SAFE program, to school districts and county superintendents of schools currently operating a School Age Parent and Infant Development Program, a Pregnant Minors Program, or a Pregnant and Lactating Students Program, or any combination thereof.
- (b) Provision of technical assistance to school districts and county superintendents of schools that do not currently operate a School Age Parent and Infant Development Program, a Pregnant Minors Program, or a Pregnant and Lactating Students Program as defined by subdivision (a) of Section 54745.
  - (c) Identification and sharing of information on best practices across program sites.
- (d) Development of benchmarks to determine to what degree pupils and children enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program attain the program goals.
- (e) Consultation with local education agency representatives and others, as appropriate, to develop strategies for implementation of the Cal-SAFE program.
- (f) Determination of areas in the state where there are pupils who are most in need or pupils who are least likely to access services on their own if there are not enough resources to serve all eligible pupils.
- (g) Development of an application process and approval of local education agencies to implement a Cal-SAFE program.
  - (h) Development of operating guidelines for implementing an effective Cal-SAFE program.
  - (i) Development of guidelines for fiscal reporting.
- (j) Coordination with other state agencies that administer teen pregnancy prevention and intervention programs.
  - (k) Development of procedures to conduct program evaluation and monitoring, as appropriate.
- (l) Commencing March 1, 2005, and every five years thereafter, preparation and submission of a report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature. The report shall include data, analysis of data, and an evaluation of the Cal-SAFE program.
- **54749.** (a) For the 2000-01 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, a school district or county superintendent of schools participating in Cal-SAFE shall be eligible for state funding from funds appropriated for services provided for the purposes of the program as follows:
- (1) A **support services allowance** of two thousand two hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$2,237) for each unit of average daily attendance generated by each pupil who has completed the intake process pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 54746 and is receiving services pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54746. This allowance shall be adjusted annually by the inflation factor set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 42238.1. In no event shall more than one support service allowance be generated by any pupil concurrently enrolled in more than one educational program.

This allowance may not be claimed for units of average daily attendance reported pursuant to the following:

- (A) Subdivision (b) of Section 1982 for pupils attending county community schools operated pursuant to Chapter 6.5 of Part 2 (commencing with Section 1980).
- (B) Pupils attending juvenile court schools operated pursuant to Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 48645) of Chapter 4 of Part 27.
- (C) Pupils attending community day schools operated pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 48660) of Chapter 4 of Part 27.
- (D) Pupils attending county operated Cal-SAFE programs pursuant to this article whose attendance is reported pursuant to Section 2551.3.
- (2) Average daily attendance and revenue limit funding for pupils receiving services in the Cal-SAFE program shall be computed pursuant to provisions and regulations applicable to the educational program or programs that each pupil attends, except as provided in paragraph (3).
- (3) For attendance not claimed pursuant to paragraph (2), county offices of education may claim the statewide average revenue limit per unit of average daily attendance for high school districts, payable from Section A of the State School Fund, for the attendance of pupils receiving services in the Cal-SAFE program, provided that no other revenue limit funding is claimed for the same pupil and pupil attendance of no less than 240 minutes per day and is computed and maintained pursuant to Section 46300.
- (4) Except as provided in subdivision (c) of Section 54749.5, operators of Cal-SAFE programs shall be reimbursed in accordance with the amount specified in subdivision (b) of Section 8265 and the amounts specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 8265.5 for each **child receiving services** pursuant to the Cal-SAFE program who is the child of teen parents enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program. To be eligible for funding pursuant to this paragraph, the operational days of child care and development programs shall be only those necessary to provide child care services to children of pupils participating in Cal-SAFE.
- (5) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), pupils for whom attendance is reported pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1982, **pupils attending juvenile court schools**, and pupils attending **community day schools** may complete the intake process for the Cal-SAFE program and, if the intake process is completed, shall receive services pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54746. The children of pupils receiving services in the Cal-SAFE program pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54746 and attending juvenile court schools, county community schools, or community day schools shall be eligible for funding pursuant to paragraph (4) and no other provisions of this section.
- (b) Funds allocated pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) shall be maintained in a separate account and shall be expended only to provide the supportive services enumerated in subdivisions (b) of Section 54746, in service training as specified in subdivision (d) of Section 54746, and expenditures enumerated in subdivision (d) of this section, to pupils enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program as determined pursuant to Section 54746.
- (c) Funds allocated pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) shall be maintained in a separate account and shall be expended only to provide developmentally appropriate child care and development services pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54746 and staff development of child development program staff pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 54746 for children of teen parents enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program for the purpose of promoting the children's development comparable to age norms, access to health and preventive services, and enhanced school readiness.
- (d) Funds generated pursuant to Section 2551.3 and this section shall be maintained in a separate account and shall be expended only to provide the services enumerated in Section 54746 and the following expenditures as defined by the California State School Accounting Manual:
  - (1) Expenditures defined as direct costs of instructional programs.
  - (2) Expenditures defined as documented direct support costs.
  - (3) Expenditures defined as allocated direct support costs.
  - (4) Expenditures for indirect charges.
- (5) Expenditures defined as facility costs, including the costs of renting, leasing, lease purchase, remodeling, or improving buildings.
  - (e) Indirect costs shall not exceed the lesser of the approved indirect cost rate or 10 percent.
- (f) Expenditures that represent contract payments to community-based organizations and other governmental agencies pursuant to paragraph (10) of subdivision (b) of Section 54745 for the operation of a Cal-SAFE program shall be included in the Cal-SAFE program account.

- (g) To the extent permitted by federal law, any funding made available to a school district or county superintendent of schools shall be subject to all of the following conditions:
- (1) The program is open to all eligible pupils without regard to any pupil's religious beliefs or any other factor related to religion.
  - (2) No religious instruction is included in the program.
- (3) The space in which the program is operated is not used in any manner to foster religion during the time used for operation of the program.
- (h) A school district or county superintendent of schools implementing a Cal-SAFE program may establish a claims process to recover federal funds available for any services provided that are Medi-Cal eligible.
- (i) For purposes of serving pupils enrolled in the Cal-SAFE program in a summer school program or enrolled in a **school program operating more than 180 days**, **eligibility for child care services** pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54746 shall be determined by the parent's hours of enrollment and shall be for only those hours necessary to further the completion of the parent's educational program.
- (j) To meet startup costs for the opening of child care and development sites, as defined in subdivision (ac) of Section 8208, and applicable regulations, a school district or county office of education may apply for a one-time 15-percent service level exemption within the amount appropriated in the annual Budget Act for the purposes of paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) for each site meeting the provision of subdivision (ac) of Section 8208. To the extent that Budget Act funding is insufficient to cover the full costs of Cal-SAFE child care, reimbursements to all participating programs shall be reduced on a pro rata basis. A school district or county office of education shall submit claims pursuant to this subdivision with other claims submitted pursuant to this section. **Funding provided for startup costs** shall be utilized for approvable startup costs enumerated in subdivision (a) of Section 8275.
- (k) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, its **implementation of this article is contingent upon appropriations in the annual Budget Act** for the purpose of its administration and evaluation by the State Department of Education.
- (l) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a **charter school** may apply for funding pursuant to this article and shall meet the requirements of this article to be eligible for funding pursuant to this section.
- **54749.5.** (a) County superintendents who operated pregnant minors programs in the 1979-80 fiscal year, or commenced operation during the 1996-97 fiscal year, shall continue to operate pregnant minors programs in the 1980-81 fiscal year, or the 1997-98 fiscal year, as appropriate, and each fiscal year thereafter, and school districts that increased their revenue limit in the 1981-82 fiscal year pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 42241 shall continue to operate pregnant minors programs in subsequent fiscal years, unless the program is transferred to another local education agency, or unless the county superintendent or district superintendent demonstrates that programs and services for pregnant minors, such as continuation school, home instruction, or independent instruction, are available from other local education agencies in the county, pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- (b) Pregnant minors programs that continue to operate pursuant to subdivision (a) and that continue to operate as Cal-SAFE programs may continue to claim funding pursuant to Section 2551.3 for an amount of average daily attendance up to the amount certified at the 1998-99 annual apportionment for that program. Programs continuing under this section may enroll pupils above the level of average daily attendance certified at the 1998-99 annual apportionment, and that additional average daily attendance shall be eligible for funding pursuant to Section 54749 and provisions that apply to the educational program that the pupil attends.
- (c) County offices of education that choose to retain their pregnant minor program revenue limit rather than convert to the Cal-SAFE revenue limit shall provide child care services from funds provided in their pregnant minor program revenue limit pursuant to Section 2551.3 for children of pupils comprising base year average daily attendance as certified at the 1998-99 annual apportionment. Growth funding for child care shall be equal to the proportionate share of child care funding for the specific agency's program, determined by dividing the certified growth in pupil average daily attendance by the total certified average daily attendance.
- (d) Nothing in this section shall be construed as allowing a county superintendent to receive funding pursuant to Sections 2551.3 and 54749 for the same average daily attendance, or for average daily attendance generated by the same pupil on the same calendar day.

### OTHER EDUCATION CODE REFERENCES

### **County Offices Previously Operating a Pregnant Minors Program**

- **2551.3.** (a) For the 1979-80 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall make the following computations to determine the state aid to be allocated for **pregnant minors programs operated by county superintendents of schools:**
- (1) The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall determine expenditures made by the county office for the 1979-80 fiscal year and shall divide such amount by the average daily attendance in such program for the 1979-80 fiscal year.
- (2) For the 1980-81 fiscal year, the quotient computed pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be increased by 9 percent, and shall be cumulatively increased in each fiscal year thereafter by the average inflation allowance applied to unified school district revenue limits, except that there shall be no inflation adjustment after the 1998-99 fiscal year.
- (3) The amount computed pursuant to paragraph (2) shall be multiplied by the average daily attendance in pregnant minors programs for the then current fiscal year.
- (b) The product computed pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) shall be added to the sum computed pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 2558.
- (c) The funding provided by this section shall be for the purposes of subdivision (b) of Section 54749.5 and shall not be adjusted for inflation.

## Loan for Renovation and Repair of Child Care Facilities

- **8494.** (a) All of the following child care and development programs, other than those providing extended day care services, shall be **eligible to receive a loan for the renovation and repair of facilities used for the program or to lease relocatable facilities** to be used for the program:
- (1) Private nonprofit child care and development programs currently, or soon to be, under contract with the State Department of Education pursuant to Section 8262.
  - (2) Child care and development programs conducted pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 8225).
  - (3) Child care and development programs operated by, or in a facility owned by, a public entity.
- (4) Child care and development programs conducted pursuant to Article 7.1 (commencing with Section 54740) of Chapter 9 of Part 29.
- (b) A recipient of a loan pursuant to this section shall document that the renovated facility shall comply with all laws and regulations applicable to child care facilities provided for pursuant to Chapter 3.4 (commencing with Section 1596.70) and Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 1596.90) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (c) A recipient of a loan pursuant to this section shall assure the board that the renovated facility shall be used for the purposes of the child care and development program for the entire loan period, which shall be determined by the board as follows:
  - (1) For loans equal to or less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), not less than three years.
- (2) For loans exceeding thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), the loan period shall increase one year for each additional ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or part thereof, to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).
- (d) Interest on the loan principal shall be charged at a rate equal to the average of the interest rate applied to the last three bond sales pursuant to Chapter 21.6 (commencing with Section 17695) of Part 10.
- (e) In the event that a recipient ceases to use the renovated facility for purposes of the child care and development program prior to the expiration of the loan period, the board shall collect the entire outstanding balance of the loan, plus interest, notwithstanding the loan period originally set pursuant to subdivision (c), unless the board deems it appropriate to waive repayment at that time.
- (f) If the renovated facility has been continuously used for purposes of the child care and development program for the entire loan period, the board shall waive repayment of the amount of the loan principal, plus interest, at the end of the loan period.

### **Leasing of School Facilities**

- 17293. (a) On or after January 1, 1993, if a county superintendent or school district elects to operate a new or expanded pregnant and parenting teen program pursuant to Article 7.1 (commencing with Section 54740) of Chapter 9 of Part 29, the county superintendent or school district may enter into lease agreements for school facilities as set forth in subdivision (b), if both of the following conditions are met:
- (1) All available school facilities conform to the requirements of Article 3 (commencing with Section 17280) and Article 6 (commencing with Section 17320).
- (2) If facilities meeting the requirements of paragraph (1) are not available, the school district or county superintendent of schools has applied to lease or purchase emergency portable classrooms pursuant to Chapter 14 (commencing with Section 17085) of Part 10 and the application was either not approved or the portable classrooms approved will not meet the needs of the county superintendent of schools or the school district.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the county superintendent or the school district may enter into lease agreements as follows:
- (1) A report and certification of safety shall be prepared by a structural engineer that verifies that the building meets local safety standards and that substantial structural hazards do not exist. The county board of education or school district governing board, as the case may be, shall review the report and certification prior to the approval of the lease and may reject the report if there is evidence of fraud regarding the facts in the report. In addition, the county board of education or the governing board of the school district shall cause to be prepared and maintained on file a report and certification of safety by a structural engineer every five years from the date of the initial lease as long as the building continues to be used and a statement that the building continues to meet local safety standards and that structural hazards do not exist.
- (2) Before entering into any lease, the county superintendent or the school district shall certify that all reasonable efforts have been made to locate programs in facilities that conform to paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (a).

## **Nutrition Supplements for Pregnant and Lactating Students**

- **49553**. (a) A nutritionally adequate meal, for the purposes of this article, is a breakfast or lunch as defined in Section 49531 that qualifies for reimbursement under the federal child nutrition program regulations.
- (b) (1) (A) For the purposes of special school nutrition supplements provided to pregnant or lactating pupils under Section 49559, protein and grain meal components for any given day shall, together, offer a total of five ounces of protein, one ounce of which shall be cheese or eight ounces of milk and three servings from the grain group, preferably whole and nutritious grains. This may be accomplished by adding one ounce of protein and one serving from the grain group at breakfast or serving these as a snack, and by adding one or two ounces of protein, one ounce of which shall be cheese or eight ounces of milk, to lunch, or by offering a morning supplement consisting of two or three ounces of protein, one ounce of which must be cheese, or eight ounces of milk, and one or two servings from the grain group.
- (B) Meal components where only breakfast is served shall be increased to a total including one ounce of protein and two servings from the grain group, preferably whole and nutritious grains.
- (C) Where both breakfast and lunch are provided, they shall, together, provide a total of five ounces of protein foods, one ounce of which shall be cheese, three servings from the grain group, preferably whole and nutritious grains, one and one-fourth cups from the fruit and vegetable group, and one pint from the milk group.
  - (2) The following options shall be allowed:
  - (A) One cup of fruit in place of one serving of the grain group, once a week.
- (B) One cup of unsweetened yogurt, made with pasteurized milk, in place of eight ounces of milk or one ounce of cheese, up to two times per week.

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